

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 09/689,010  
Applicant(s): Yoshiaki HATA  
For: ANALYZING APPARATUS  
Confirmation No.: 6171  
Customer No.: 24367  
Docket No.: 15162/02600  
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Group Art Unit: 1795  
Examiner: Jeffrey Thomas Barton

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2007, which provides for a response period ending March 18, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: